

have fallen far short of the institutions. The fall is attributed to the complicated nature of the appeals and the time taken up for arguments.

(ii) *Second appeals.*—The number of second appeals filed was 238 against 177 in the year previous. Including 93 appeals pending from the previous year there were 331 second appeals for disposal. Of these 151 appeals were disposed of against 143 in 1924-25 leaving 180 pending disposal against 93 in 1924-25. The number is slightly higher than in the previous year, but much less than the institutions.

(iii) *Average duration.*—The average duration showed a further rise both in the case of first and second appeals, the figures being 483.1 days in 1923-24, 510.51 days in 1924-25 and 541.80 days in the year under review in the case of first appeals, and 180.77 days against 143.27 days in 1924-25 for second appeals.

9. *Inspections.*—The Chief Judge inspected all the District Judges' Courts, Subordinate Judges' Courts and 20 Munsiffs' Courts and Mr. Justice D. K. Rama Rao inspected two Munsiffs' Courts. The only Court that was not inspected by any of the Judges of the Chief Court was the Munsiff's Court at Narasimharajapura. The District Judges inspected all the Courts in their respective jurisdictions.

10. *General.*—The report of the Laws' Delays Committee has been received and the opinion of the Chief Court on the various recommendations of the Committee is awaited.

B. NAGAPPA,

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Local and Legislative Departments.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT.

Report on the working of the Mysore State Life Insurance Scheme.

READ—

Letter No. 10364, dated 17th November 1926, from the Secretary, Mysore State Life Insurance Committee, submitting the report on the working of the Mysore State Life Insurance Scheme during 1925-26 along with the Auditor's report on the examination of the books of the Insurance Office.

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2. Government are glad to note that the working of the Insurance Department during the year under review has been quite satisfactory. The closing balance of the Insurance Fund in the Official and Public Branches was Rs. 73,09,811 and Rs. 6,58,072 against Rs. 67,66,575 and Rs. 4,56,091 respectively in the preceding year. The cost of management has been brought down to 4.11 per cent of premium income from 5.50 per cent in 1924-25. The annual report along with the Auditor's report has been sent on the due date and audited figures have been adopted throughout.

3. It is observed however that both in the Official Branch and in the Public Branch, there has been a fall in the number of proposals dealt with during the year. The report does not explain what this is due to. It is hoped that with the increased facilities afforded to the public to insure in the Public Branch the number of cases dealt with in the Public Branch will hereafter show a steady improvement. The proportion of rejected proposals to those accepted during the year in the Official Branch is also higher than usual. The relative figures for the Public Branch have not been given. This may be furnished in future.

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Financial Secretary to Government.

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT.

Report of the Civil Veterinary Department.

READ—

Report on the working of the Civil Veterinary Department during the year 1925-26, received with letter No. Per. 27—26-27, dated the 17th September 1926, from the Director of Agriculture in Mysore.

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